

REMARKS RE: CLAIMS

Items #1 & 2: Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's amendment to the record as presented in Item #2 of the subject Notice of Allowance, as was mutually agreed to in the telephone interview of 7 March 2005.

Applicant herein cancels claims 1-5 and 10, and accepts the Examiner's changes in claims 6, 11, 12, 14-16, 19, 20, 23-26, and 29 to correct the 112 deficiencies. Applicant herein includes all of the allowed claims, identified as either "represented" or "currently amended." Allowed claims 6-9 and 11-29 are now incorporated into the substitute Specification submitted herewith, and therein are renumbered as claims 1-23 in anticipation of issue publication.

Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner a minor grammatical matter in claim 11. In line 1, it would seem that the grammatical structure of the preamble would be improved if the clause were amended to read as follows:

"An apparatus for applying a power signal to a previously undetermined battery-powered device, comprising:"

This is not a matter of substance, and it will require very little consideration by the Examiner. Should the Examiner agree to applicant's above-suggested change to line 1 of subject claim 11. Pursuant to Rule 312, applicant requests that the Examiner enter claim 11 with applicant's suggested change into the application as an allowed claim of record.

The claims contain no new matter, and fall completely within the scope of the material set out in the originally filed documents.

In the telephonic communication with the Examiner on 7 March 2005, applicant invoked Paragraph 6 of 35 USC § 112 to clarify that the means plus function claims include corresponding devices as recited in the Specification.

IN THE DRAWINGS

The amendments to the drawings are pursuant to page 2 of applicant's response of 21 December 2004 to the Office Action (mail date 22 September 2004), in which applicant indicated that the objections to the drawings cited in the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review would be overcome by amendments to the subject drawings that were to be submitted after the Notice of Allowance.

Applicant herewith submits forty-five (45) drawing sheets in both marked-up and clean versions (clean version labeled "Replacement Sheet"), of which those drawing figures incorporating notable changes are as follows:

Changes To Drawing Figures

Many of the changes made to the drawing figures were of a minor nature, such as correcting the margins on the four sheets of Fig. 1, and the eight sheets of Fig. 2. In both sets of sheets, page numbers erroneously placed at the bottom of each sheet were deleted, and the figuring numbering was amended to more properly define the sheet sequences. The margins were also corrected in Fig. 8.

In Fig. 2, the enlarged view identified as Fig. 2A was moved so as to not obstruct the drawing lines of Fig. 2. An element labeled "MEMORY" with the identifier of 551 is now in Fig. 2. This change was required because claim 12 references a memory, which was not previously shown in the drawing figures. Likewise, in Fig. 2B, an element labeled "Cord Retractor Reel" with identifier 550 is now included, as claims 20 and 26 recite.

The text in element 138 of Fig. 3A has been rotated to read in the proper direction.

Fig. 3B has been redrawn in a larger size to correct the original undersized type. The same type-size problem was the basis for redrawing the figure to now cover two sheets, as Figs. 4-1 and 4-2.

The connector line joining Fig. 6 with Fig. 6A is now deleted. The same issue is also overcome in deleting the connector line between Fig. 6F and Fig. 6F-1. In Fig. 13, the connector lines between the main figure and the enlarged view of the selector dial have been eliminated, and the enlarged view of the selector dial now is labeled with element identifier number 337 and identified as Fig. 13-1.

Fig. 18 was originally a screen capture image which was shaded and hard to see. The image has been redrawn as line art for better clarity.

Pursuant to Rule 312, applicant requests that the Examiner enter these amended drawing figures into the allowed application as the Drawings of record.

The amended drawing figures herein submitted contain no new matter, and fall completely within the scope of the material set out in the originally filed documents.

GENERAL REMARKS

This response is filed within the allowed statutory period, pursuant to the Notice of Allowance mailed 15 March 2005.

An Issue Fee of \$700, along with the Fee Transmittal Form, is enclosed.

Applicant herewith also encloses a separate document identified as "Applicant's Statement Re: Interview Summary."

Applicant is available for contact by phone at (818) 340-7268, or by fax at (818) 883-5706.

Enclosures:

Specification (CLEAN Version 148 sheets)

(MARKED-UP Version 148 sheets)

Drawings (CLEAN Version 45 drawing sheets)

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Interview Summary Statement

Transmittal Form

Fees Transmittal Form, Part B

Supplemental Declaration for Utility Patent Application Form

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Respectfully Submitted,



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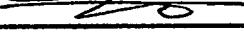
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